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REMARKS

Claims 1-53 are in the application and are subject to a restriction requirement.

The Examiner required restriction between:

- Group I Claims 1-29, drawn to a method of brewing tea, classified in class 426, subclass 435; and
- Group II Claims 30-53, drawn to apparatus for brewing tea, classified in class 99, subclass 279.

In response to this requirement, Applicants have elected to prosecute Group I, claims 1-29, drawn to a method of brewing tea without prejudice to filing a divisional application on the remaining claims.

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Favorable reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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